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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: PALEVICH ET AL.
APPLICATION NO.: 09/590,970
FILED: JUNE 9, 2000
FOR: NETWORK FILE SYSTEM

EXAMINER: CHANG, J
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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This communication is a response to the Office action dated July 23, 2003 (hereinafter "the Office action"). Please consider the following amendments and appended remarks, which applicants submit places the case in condition for allowance.



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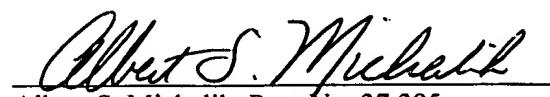
Transmitted herewith are the following papers in the above-identified application:

1. Amendment with Certificate of Mailing (17 pgs)
2. Petition for Extension of Time (1 pg)
3. Credit Card Payment Form (1 pg)

No additional claim fees are believed to be necessary.

- If any additional fee is required in connection with this response, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1618.
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Respectfully submitted,


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I hereby certify that this Amendment and Petition for Extension of Time, along with Transmittal and Change of Correspondence Address are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

Date: January 23, 2004

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